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1. [] Accompanied Messrs. Duckett and Brandwein who briefed Senators Barry Goldwater and Lowell Weicker and staff officers James Gehrig and William Parker, of the Senate Aeronautical and Space Sciences Committee, on the Soviet space program. All present were reminded of the security sensitivity of the material presented.

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2. [] Called David Abshire, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, regarding our replies to Senator Symington's letter regarding the reconstitution of his Sub-committee on U.S. Security Agreements and Commitments Abroad. I particularly inquired how State was handling Symington's request that Messrs. Lowenstein and Moose, of his Subcommittee staff, be granted special security clearances. Mr. Abshire said he wasn't sure whether this had been worked out yet within the Department, and asked that we withhold our reply until he could advise us further.

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3. [] Mrs. Parker, office of Senator Hiram Fong (R., Hawaii), called concerning an inquiry from a constituent seeking Agency employment. Mrs. Parker sought clarification of the Agency's policy regarding foreign relatives. I informed that foreign relatives, if extensive, could lessen the chances of employment. However, this would be considered as part of the overall assessment of the person's qualifications and eligibility for employment. Mrs. Parker thanked me for the information. Assistance was offered in the preparation of the reply, but she stated she would respond herself.

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4. [] Talked to Mr. Wayne Birdsall of the reporting firm Ward and Paul and made the preliminary arrangements for security control of reporter's notes and transcript of the Director's appearance before Senate Foreign Relations Committee on 23 March 1971. See Journal of 10 March 1971.

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5. [] Received a call from Mr. Earl Morgan, House Armed Services Committee staff, who told me that the Committee plans to schedule the Director or his representative to brief the full Armed Services Committee on worldwide roundup as has been done in previous years in conjunction with the Defense posture briefings. Since it is not known how long Committee consideration on the draft bill and related measures will take, a time has not been set for next week. Wednesday or Thursday, 24 or 25 March, appear likely at this time.

Later in the day I talked to [] who confirmed Mr. Morgan's earlier call and discussed with him the security arrangements for the briefing.

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6. [] Talked with Stu French, OSD/ISA, again about our response to Senator Symington's letters regarding the reestablishment of his Subcommittee on Security Agreements and Commitments Abroad. French said DOD had been in touch with State Department and State indicated they were covering the clearance question in their response. French suggested that we merely include in our letter, naming our point of contact, a statement that we understand necessary security clearances are being initiated by State Department. French added he understands the White House working group on the Symington Subcommittee will probably meet next week.

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7. [] Mr. William Sullivan, in the office of Senator Robert Dole (R., Kans.), called requesting a subscription to [] In line with Sullivan's request, Mr. [] will send copies directly from his office until the regular subscription goes into effect.

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